THE SWORD INTERVAL

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Please, the creature is outside our window every night! Closer each time!

We tried a hotel!
We tried a shelter!
No matter where we go it's the same thing!

You specialize in this sort of weapon here! The sort hunters use! I need this to protect my family!
RORF RORF RORF RORF
PUBLIC MARKET
FARMERS MARKET

I'll pay you double, *triple!*
ruf

CERTIFIED BY THE
AMERICAN HUNTER'S GUILD
BEWARE
OF DOG
SMILE
YOU'RE ON
CAMERA

Sorry. Don't accept cash. Not anymore. Won't have any value soon enough.
Now get a move on. I got real customers.

Business been good?
Mrmph. Yes, sadly. Hate selling to normal-folk what they used to not need.
Do you have the item?
A.H.C.

Yeah. Ex-Atlas bloke sold it for scratch decades ago, been sitting with my antiquities ever since.
Don't rightfully know what you're meant to use this thing on, but word is you've been looking far one like this.

You got the payment we discussed? Cause I don't see it on you.
Marco?
NO REFUNDS
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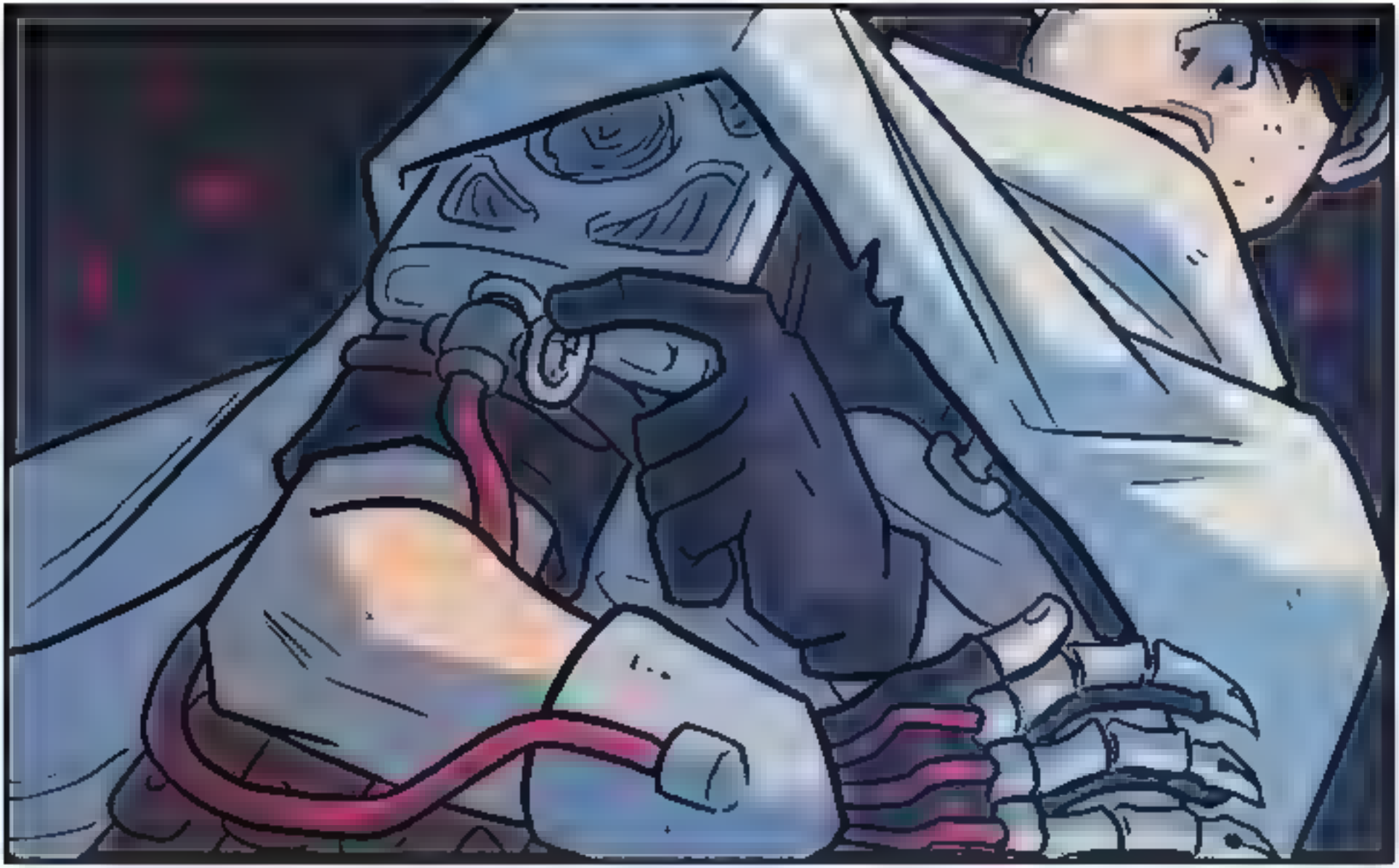

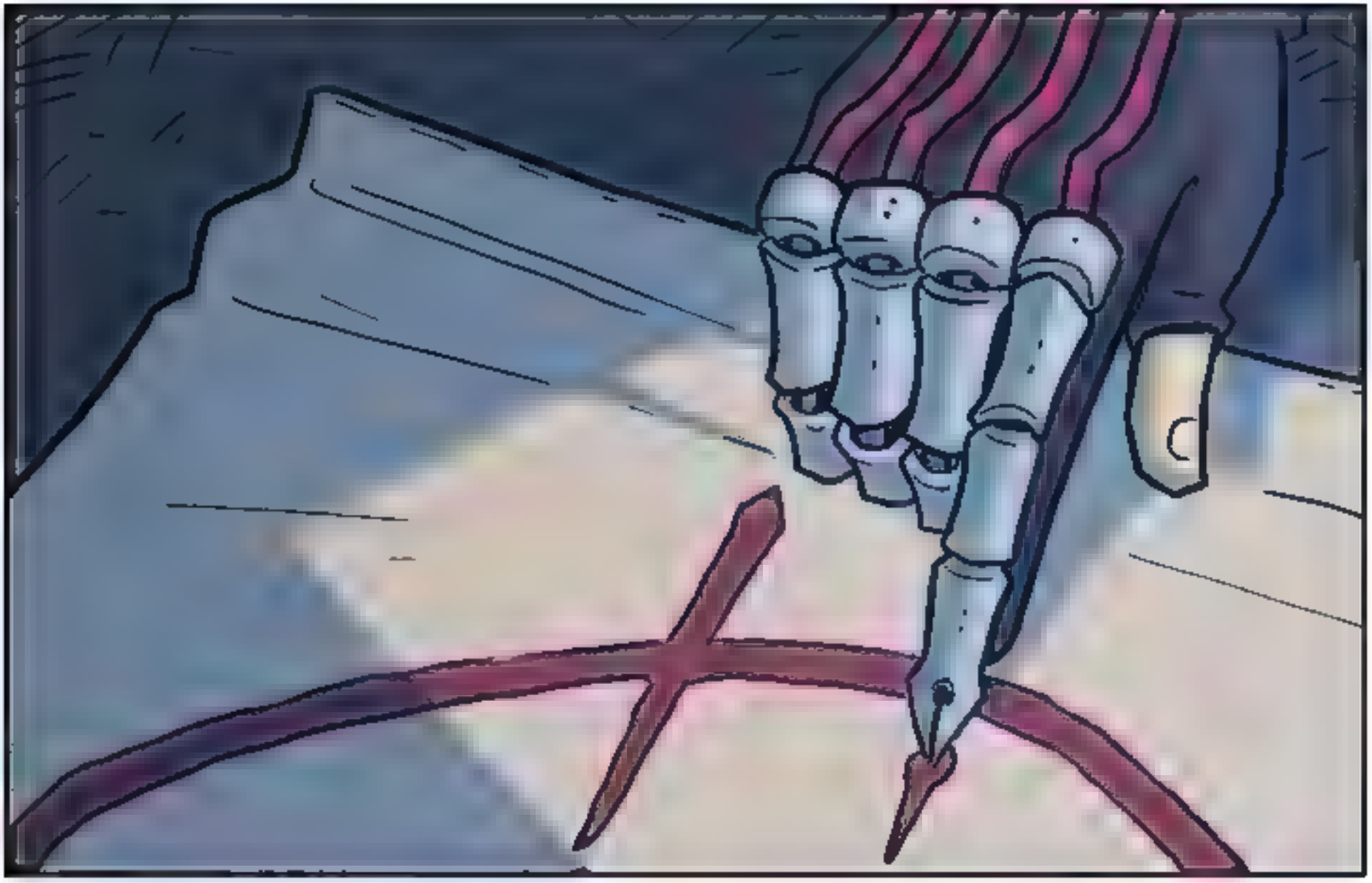

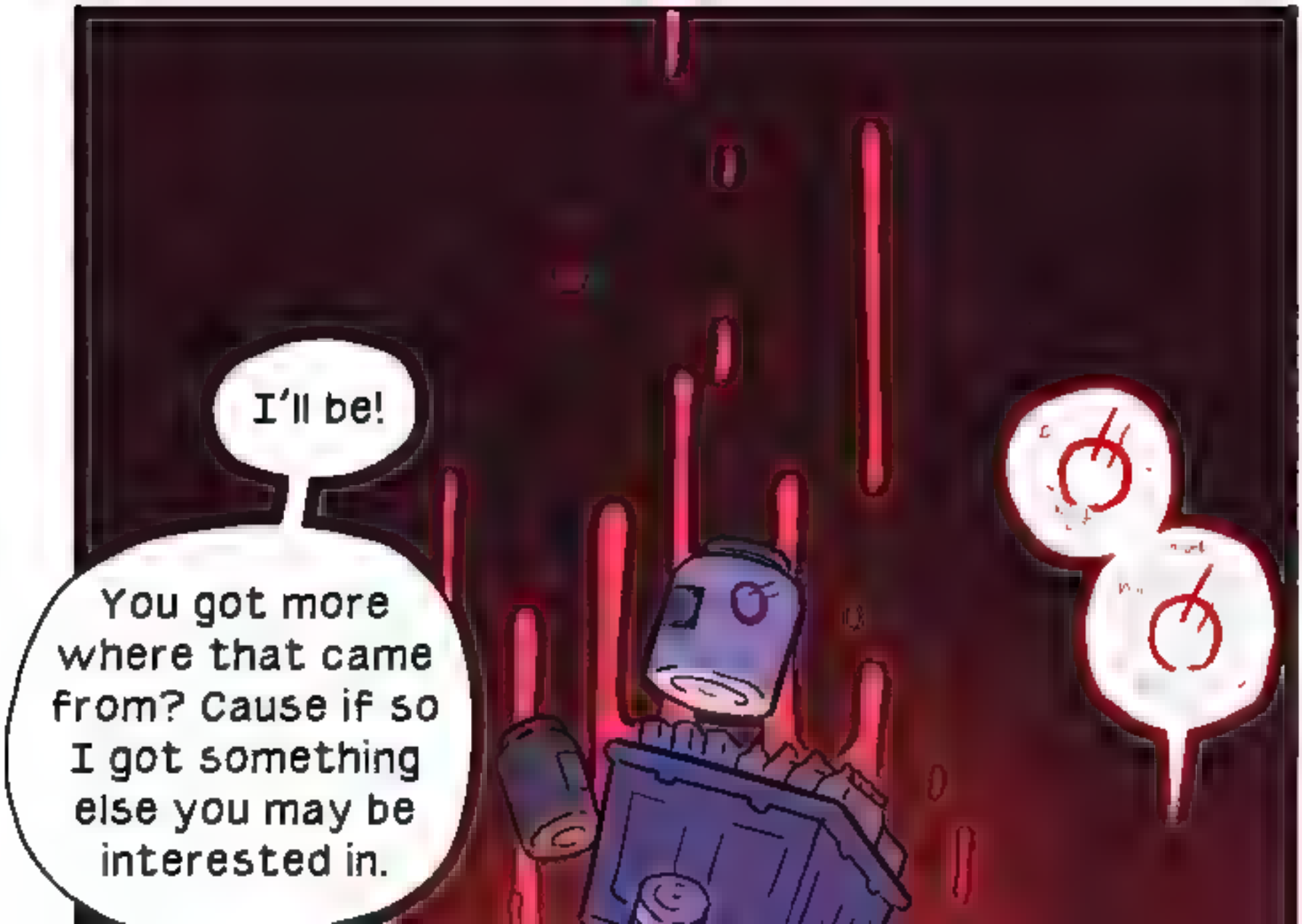
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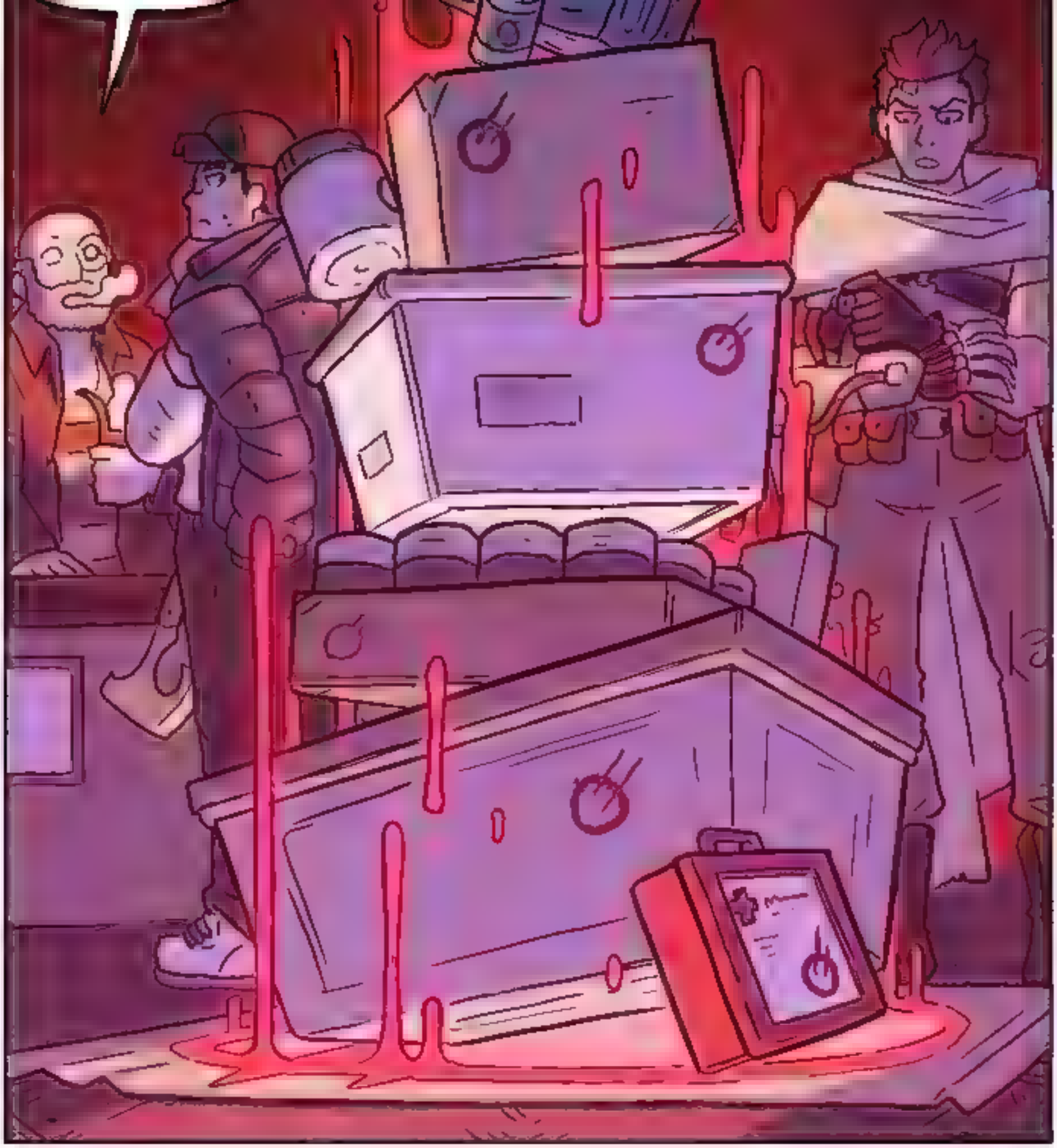
You got more where that came from? Cause if so I got something else you may be interested in.



Said over the phone you're dealing with a mage? These are dispelling bullets. Shoot a thing and if it dont die, well, it should break any enchantments or whatever is on it.

This is a flintlock...
Was a custom job for the Brimstone Slayer. You know of her?
Yeah.
Hear what happened?
...Yeah.

Atlas job back east goes up in flames, a few good hunters disappear, all the same night as the yellow light and the monster invasion?
Reeks of a cover-up, I tell you.
Seen this sorta thing before. Russia, twenty years ago. Also with Atlas.

Oh my god, David! Do you think it's a cover-up?!
...How much more for the flintlock?
I bet he's right I bet Atlas is behind the whole thing!
And any specialized rounds you have for it.

...And the piece there, plus the silver bullets.

Throw them in too.

Silver
9mm

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